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This partially annotated bibliography contains selected resource materials about Central Asia/Inner Asia for use with the secondary school social studies curriculum. Part 1 provides a list of eight organizations that specialize in the study of Central Asia, while Part 2 contains a collection of seven reference works. Part 3 offers six English language periodicals and newsletters that are published in a number of different countries, and a list of 21 periodical and magazine articles appear in part 4. Part 5 annotates 17 books for students that are either about Central Asia or recount the journeys of people who have traveled there. Eleven teaching aids, prepared by the Research Institute for Inner Asian Studies, Bloomington (Indiana), are included in part 6. (JHP)

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Introduction

In any field of study there are a myriad of sources that can be found to enhance the depth of research. Central Asian Studies is no different. In the following pages I have attempted to provide a cursory glimpse at only a few of the available resources dealing with the study of Central Asia. I hope that the materials presented will stimulate some young person to engage in a heartier study of these fascinating and wonderful people. Please note that the resources I have selected are for use with the secondary level student. If you see that I have left any resources out please feel free to notify me and in the next version I will rectify that mistake.

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ORGANIZATIONS

Following is an annotated list of Organizations that either specialize in the study of Inner Asia/Central Asia or have a special element that focuses on Inner Asian or Central Asian Studies. Included are also some organizations that have an emphasis on the Soviet Union since nearly all of what is considered by most to be Central Asia is in the USSR.

1. The Research Institute for Inner Asian Studies-

The RIFIAS is a part of Indiana University's internationally respected program devoted to scholarship in the history, languages, and cultures of Inner Asia. Together with the Inner Asian and Uralic National Resource Center, and the Uralic and Altaic Studies Department , The RIFIAS supports teaching and research in all aspects of Inner Asian civilization, comprising the Central Asian, Mongolian, and Tibetan cultural areas. The RIFIAS houses a special library of Inner Asian books and journals as well as special research materials on Central Asian sources. The RIFIAS publications include the Indiana University "Uralic and Altaic Series" and the new "Papers on Inner Asia."

For more information contact:

Research Institute for Inner Asian Studies
Goodbody Hall 344
Indiana University
Bloomington, IN 47405

2. Association of Central Asian Studies-

A non-profit, non-political, scholarly-professional association based at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. ACAS as it is known is an affiliated association of the Middle East Studies Association. Publishes a bi-annual newsletter, soon to be published more frequently. Provides reference materials as well as upcoming conferences and publications.

For more Information contact:

ACAS
4255 Humanities Building
University of Wisconsin
Madison, WI 53706

3. Mongolia Society-

An International Society for the purpose of advancing the studies of Mongolia, its history, culture and present day life.

for Further information contact:

The Mongolia Society
Goodbody Hall 321
Indiana University
Bloomington, IN 47405

4. Tibet Society-

An association of scholars and non-specialists interested in the study of Tibet and Central Asia.

For further Information contact:

Tibet Society
P.O. Box 1968
Bloomington, IN 47402

5. Society for Central Asian Studies-

A scholarly based organization for the purpose of investigation and dissemination of information about Central Asia.

For further Information contact:

Society for Central Asian Studies
P.O. Box 131
Oxford OX1 2NJ
United Kingdom

8. Uzbek Dance Society

A society of people who have a common interest in the wonderful art of Uzbek Dancing. A video film of Uzbek dances can be obtained by writing:

Uzbek Dance Society
501 N. 36th, Suite 139
Seattle, WA 98103

REFERENCE WORKS ON CENTRAL ASIA

The Following is a list of Reference works compiled from popular sources to stimulate the study of Central Asia. These are primarily Central Asian works but many of the sources can be used as well for the study of Inner Asia.

1. Great Soviet Encyclopedia-
   New York: MacMillan, Inc. 3rd Ed. 1981

   Central Asian Topics can be found in the following volumes

Central Asia	vol 28 pg 46b, vol 1 pg 407, 420 b vol 9-143c
Kazakh SSR	vol 11 pg 510
Kirghiz SSR	vol 12 pg 487, vol 31 pg 580, vol 22 pg 409
Tadzhik SSR	vol 25 pg 288, vol 31 pg 581
Turkmen SSR	vol 26 pg 488 vol 31-586
Uzbek SSR	vol 26 pg 565

The Great Soviet Encyclopedia is an excellent resource for finding data of almost any sort. History however seems to be dealt with through a somewhat different lense than what most western scholars are used to.

2. First Encyclopedia of Islam-
   New York*Leiden*Kobenhaun*Cologne: E.J. Brill 1987

This reference work is more than you would need but would serve as a fine source when handling more difficult questions about cultural, geographical and religious topics.

3. Encyclopedia of Asian History_
   The Asia Society_
   New York: Charles Scribner's Sons 1988

This encyclopedia is an excellent reference tool to begin a familiarization of Central Asia. Nearly every aspect of Central Asian life from the 17th to the 20th century is dealt with. Bibliography included.

4. Handbook of Major Soviet Nationalities_
The Free Press: New York 1975

Part IV pages 211-315

The Central Asian Section gives a nice overview of Soviet Central Asia. It deals with each ethnic group individually as well as a whole. Provides a brief look at history, culture, demography and language, as well as modern institutions and attitudes. Bibliography included.

5. Guide to the Study of Soviet Nationalities: Non Russian Peoples of the USSR
Littleton, Colorado: Libraries Unlimited Inc. 1982

Islamic Peoples pg 174-182
Peoples of Central Asia pg. 193-215

Provides a very cursory look at Soviet Central Asian language, philosophy, history, economy and religion. Bibliography included.

6. Soviet Central Asia: A bibliography Volumes I-III Pierce, Richard A.

Center for Slavic and East European Studies
University of California, Berkeley 1966

A set of 3 volumes listing over 2500 bibliographic entries. Probably one of the more inclusive bibliographies done on Central Asia even though it is quite old. A lot of Russian entries included.

7. Inner Asia: History, civilizations, language: A syllabus
Sinor, Denis
Indiana University, 3rd Printing 1987

A very thorough book on Inner Asia. Provides an indepth course outline as well as practical teaching helps. Prof. Sinor was the founder of the Uralic and Altaic Studies Department at Indiana University.

PUBLICATIONS AND NEWSLETTERS

Here are some periodical publications that are available from around the world. (all in English) These are a great source for finding out what is going on today in the field of Central Asian Studies.

Central Asian Newsletter-

Published by the Society for Central Asian Studies in Oxford, England. A great place to start when looking for resources on contemporary events.

P.O Box 131
Oxford OX1 2NJ
UK

Central Asian Review-

The Central Asian Review was published by the Central Asian Research Center in London. The review was in circulation from 1953 to 1968. It contains many excellent sources for history, culture, politics and economy.

Central Asiatic Journal-

International Periodical for the languages, Literature History and Archeology of Central Asia. A very scholary periodical which would be most useful to a Central Asian specialist. Does contain some very good descriptions of specific historical events, as well as a keen analysis of current events.

Soviet Life-

Deals mostly with Russian peoples, yet from time to time entire issues will focus on a Central Asian ethnic group. A very good publication for students. Good photography and outlines of current events. One must keep in mind though that this is a Soviet produced document and all information will be considered from a Soviet viewpoint. Published monthly by the USSR embassy to the U.S.

Soviet Life
Subscription Department
1706-18th Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20009

Soviet Uzbekistan-

An illustrated monthly magazine of the Uzbek peoples for friendship and cultural exchange with foreign countries. A colorful periodical with excellent information on current cultural affairs as well as historical events.

Soviet Uzbekistan
41 Lenin Street
Tashkent 700 000
USSR

Central Asian Survey-

A medium of information and analysis designed to explore the history, culture, politics and economics of the peoples of Central Asia. Established for the purpose of unifying a new generation of scholars from around the world who are specializing in the study of Central Asia.

Pergamon Journals Inc.
Maxwell House, Fairview Park
Elmsford, NY 10523

JOURNAL/PERIODICAL ARTICLES ON CENTRAL ASIA

Listed below are some fairly popular journals as well as magazines that have published articles on life in Central Asia. These would serve as an excellent tool when surveying Central Asia in light of current events.

1. Where Old Ways Die Hard
   News Week 109:39 Je 22 '87

2. The Nationality Question
   Nation 244:808:10 Je 13 '87

3. The Kazakhstan Revolt
   NewsWeek 108:24-25 D 29 '86

4. Russians May Soon Be A Minority
   Scholars Update 118:6 Mar 7 '86

5, Mosque and the Kremlin
   Common Wealth 112: 174-5 Mr 22 '85

6. Tashkent
   Unesco Courier 36:24-7 Feb '83

7. All Soviets Aren't Russians
   Scholars Update 115:10-11 Apr 15 '83

8. Not Enough Russians
   U.S. News and World Report 93:12 Sept 13 '82

9. Muslims of the USSR
   Current History 81:327-30 Oct '82

10. Worries along the Border
    News Week 100:36 Aug 9 '82

11. Stunted Crops, Stunted Hopes
    U.S. News and World Report 93:32-3 Aug 30 '82

12. Where Two Worlds Clash
    U.S. News and World Report 93:57-8 July 19 '82

13. Ehtnicity and its Implications
    Bulletin At Science 38:53-8 Je '82

14. Smuggled Photographs
    People 16:159-60 Dec 14 '81

15. The Red Army's Achilles Heal
    Business Week p. 46 Mar 9 '81

16. Muslims of the Soviet Union
UNESCO Courier 34:28-9 Ag/S '81

17. Fate of the Rash Platybelodon
Natural History 89:78-83 April "80

18. Muslim Minority in the USSR
Current History 78:175-7 Ap '80

19. Promise and Peril in the USSR's Heartland
U.S. News and World Report 89:71-2 Ag 25 '80

20. Dissidents of the 21st Century
Atlas 26:38-9 Feb '79

21. Cracks in the Soviet Facade
News Week __ :26-27 Mar 14 '88

Books on Central Asia

I have included some interesting books on Central Asia that will stimulate the interest in most any High School Student (I think). This list includes several works which may be difficult to obtain because of their age. But they will be worth the effort. Several of these are Journey accounts of normal people who were driven to traverse the deserted steppes of Central Asia. Others are books that will provide great sources of information and pleasure to your students.

1. Through Russian Central Asia
   Graham, Stephen
   New York: MacMillan Company 1916 298 Pages

   A journey record of Stephen Graham just prior to World War I. His Journey on foot through Central Asia allowed him to capture interesting insights into Central Asian life.

2. Turkestan: "The Heart of Asia"
   Curtiss, William Eleroy Pictures by John T. McCutcheon
   New York: Hodder & Stoughton 1911
   344 p.

   A journey record of William Curtiss, an American who spent spring and early summer in Turkestan in 1910, articles were published in the Chicago Record-Herald about his trip. Pictures were taken on a seperate journey in 1906 by John T. McCutcheon.

3. Through Khiva to Golden Samarkand
   Christie, Ella R.
   London: Secley, Service and Co. Ltd. 1925
   280 P.

The remarkable story of a woman's adventurous journey alone through the deserts of Central Asia to the heart of Turkestan. Great for integrating womens studies into history, geography etc.

4. Hashar
   Fax, Elton C.
   Moscow: Progress Publishers 1980
   207 p.

A record of the "Impression of the USSR series" by Progress Publishers in Moscow, written by Elton C. Fax, a black American writer and artist. He took his trip through Central Asia in the spring of 1978.

5. Storm Across Asia: Genghis Khan and the Mongols
Wiencek, Henry
New York: Harcourt, Brace, Jovanvich Press 1980
172 p.

A popularized look at Genghiz Khan and his exploits into Central Asia. Published in 1980 it is filled with excellent photography both color and black and white. It takes a rather superficial look at the Mongol conquest, but for the popular reader it provides an excellent place to start.

6. Central Asia: Travels in Cashmere, Little Thibet and Central Asia
Taylor, Bayard
New York: Scribner's Sons 1892
294 p.

A journey record of Bayard Taylor in early 1880; across Central Asia into Tibet. The 1892 edition is a revisian by Thomas Stevens.

7. The Heart of the Orient
Shoemaker, Michael Myers.
New York: The Knickerbocker Press 1906
415 p.

The journey record of Michael Shoemaker in the winter of 1902 as he traveled across the transcaucasus and Turkestan into the vale of paradise.

8. Soviets in Central Asia
Coates, William P. and Zelda K.
London: Lawrence and Wishhart LTD 1951
288 p.

A short history and analysis of Central Asia written by the Coates who both visited Central Asia in 1950. Pictures for the book were provided by "Soviet Weekly Magazine."

9. The Land of Timur: Recollections of Russian Turkestan
Polovtsoff, A.
London: Methuen & Co. LTD 1932
206 p.

A recollection of a visitor to Central Asia before the Russians set the wheels of communism rolling. His somewhat passionate discourse is effective in creating an heir of reverence for Central Asian life. Illustrations are provided by B. Lituinoff.

10. We Live in the Asian USSR
Ryabko, E.
New York: Bookwright Press 1985
60 p.

This is a popular book of pictures by a Ukranian Journalist. Different people from different cities are featured as they discuss how wonderful it is to be an Asian Soviet. Pictures are colorful and high quality.

11. Russian Hosts and English Guests in Central Asia
Perowne, Woolrych J.T.
London: The Scientific Press, LTD 1898
198 p.

A journey record of J.T. Woolrych Perowne in the year 1897, which took him across Central Asia from Krasnovdsk to Samarcand. This work is unique in itself because of the lack of danger and peril which so many other works contained. Many excellent illustrations are included.

12. Peoples of Central Asia
Krader, Lawrence
Indiana University, Bloomington: Mooton & Co. 1963

The primary purpose of this book is to provide an overview of the indigenous peoples and cultures of Central Asia. The secondary purpose is to focus on the changes brought about during the periods of Tsarist and Soviet rule. Would be considered quite indepth for a secondary student, but quite readable for that age level.

13. Russia in Central Asia
Rywkin, Michael
New York: Collier books 1963

From the Russian civilization series of Collier Books, this volume attempts to take a casual, yet candid look at the peoples of Soviet Central Asia. This book presents a brief outline of the eastward expansion of Imperial Russia, but deals briefly with the Soviet period and offers a penetrating analysis of the administrative, social, economic and cultural policies of the Soviet Union in that part of the world.

14. The Peoples of Soviet Central Asia: A Background Book
Wheeler, Geoffrey
London: The Bodley Head 1966

This book is concerned with the Muslim peoples of what is now called the USSR. Written in 1966 the writer prefers to not consider the Central Asian as a minority group of the USSR but instead as an occupied territory of peoples who have inhabited Central Asia for thousands of years.

15. Introduction to the Peoples and Cultures of Asia
Tweddell, Eolin E. Kimball Linda A.
New Jersey: Prentice-Hall 1985
340 p.

Chapter 12 provides a brief overview of Inner Asian culture and history.

16. Turkestan Solo
Maillart, Ella K.
London: Willaiam Heinemann LTD. 1938

This book is an interesting account of a British woman determined to see the heart of Asia. After being turned down by several parties she sets out through Central Asia on her own. An excellent account of Central Asian life in the early 20th century.

17. March of the Barbarians
Lamb, Harold
Doubleday, Doran and Company 1941

This book though not to be considered a scholarly work, would serve as a great catalyst for secondary students to begin looking into the fascinating history of Central Asia through the early to middle periods of this millenium. Harold Lamb provides a writing style that illuminates the story, making it read like a novel as opposed to pure history.

TEACHING AIDS FOR THE STUDY OF INNER ASIA

The following materials can be obtained from the Research Institute for Inner Asian Studies:

Indiana University
Goodbody Hall 344
Bloomington, IN 47405

1. "What is Inner Asia?" Denis Sinor, Indiana University (1975). 34 pp. $3.00

2. "Tibet's Role in Inner Asia." Turrell V. Wylie, University of Washington (1975). $3.00

3. "The Inner Asian Diplomatic Tradition." G. Larry Penrose, Hope College (1975). 20 pp. $3.00

4. "High School Teaching Unit Plans on Inner Asia." Prepared by participants in the first In-Service Institute on Inner Asia for Secondary School Teachers, February 6-8, 1975 (1976). 30 pp. $3.00

5. "Music of Central Asia and of the Volga-Ural Peoples." Mark Slobin, Weslyan University (1977). 63 pp. $3.00

6. "The Rediscovery of Missing Chapters in Man's Religious History." Mary Boyce, Indiana University (1977). $3.00

7. "A Last Stronghold of Traditional Zoroastrianism." Mary Boyce, Indiana University (1977). $3.00

8. "The Role of Inner Asia in Early Russo-Chinese Relations." Joseph S. Sebes, S.J., Georgetown University (1980). 42 pp. $3.00

9. "Introduction to Kazakh." John R. Krueger, Indiana University (1980). $6.00

10. "A Kazakh Newspaper Reader, Including a complete Kazakh-English citation glossary." John R. Krueger, Indiana University (1985). 202 pp. $10.00.

11. Teaching Techniques and Materials for the study of Inner Asia: The Peoples of the Steppe. A Historical and Cultural Perspective. Cornelius, Martha J. et al. Indiana University. 1978

These teaching aids have been prepared by the Inner Asian Research Institute and have been published for the purpose of helping non-specialized college and high school teachers incorporate Inner Asian studies information into history, cultural, economics and social studies courses.